

2002 EQIP Scoring Worksheet - Grazing Land Health

Applicant _____ Date _____
 Farm Number _____ County _____
 Tract Number(s) _____ Evaluator _____
 Grassland Acres _____ Grassland Acres under Contract _____

Special Concerns

Contract acreage is within a 14 – digit watershed of an impaired waterbody as identified by the current Section 303 (d) list maintained by MDNR

Possible Points	Points Awarded
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5 _____

Planning Extent

100% of grazing acres (on this FSA farm no.) **under contract**¹

20 _____

50 – 100% of grazing acres under contract¹

10 _____

<50% of grazing acres under contract¹

5 _____

¹ Grazed acres covered by an EQIP contract or already being managed using a prescribed grazing system.

Planned grazing system with 2 to 3 pastures²

5* _____

Planned grazing system with 4 to 7 pastures²

20* _____

Planned grazing system with 8 or more pastures²

50* _____

² To receive ANY points for the planned grazing system there must be an increase in pasture numbers of at least one (1) above the existing system.

Pest management planned

5 _____

Special Needs/Considerations

Legume interseeding on 20% or more of contract acres

(30-50% legume component planned)

20 _____

Converting endophyte infected fescue or poor pasture stands to wildlife and/or livestock friendly species or variety on ≥10% of contract acres:

Other cool season grasses

10 _____

Introduced warm season grasses

20 _____

Native warm season grasses

30 _____

Converting cropland to permanent pasture ≥ 10 acres

25 _____

Livestock exclusion from existing, significant sensitive areas such as woodlands, ponds, riparian areas, wildlife habitat, springs, sinkholes

25 _____

Provide cover for ground nesting birds by deferring grazing on ≥ 10 acres

15 _____

Number of additional resource concerns addressed with assistance provided under this EQIP contract _____

X 20 = _____

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SCORE for GRAZING LAND

sum = _____

(add all points from above)